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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of Lasch, et al.

Appln. No. 10/802,171

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Interconnected with  
Convenient or Foldable  
Transaction Cards**

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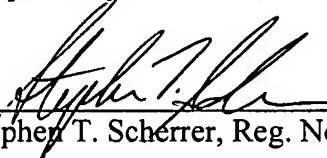
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